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**ORIENTED SUBSTANCE** 

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of June 20, 2001, to December 20, 2001.

A check for the statutory fee of \$920.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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